

Iron County Register

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CRONTON, MISSOURI.

Fresh forest fires were reported from Minnesota on the 5th.

DR. COWAN, coroner of Pine County, Minn., believes that the dead pine forest fires in his county will reach 700.

It is reported that the Chinese government has arranged to purchase half of the vessels comprising the Chilean navy.

A REWARD of \$100 has been offered for the discovery of President Kennedy of Amity College, at College City, Ia., who mysteriously disappeared early in August.

REV. DR. J. C. WILLIAMS, president of the Columbia University of Washington, D. C., died in Hartford, Conn., on the 4th, of heart disease. He was 69 years of age, and leaves a widow and two children.

JOHN JACOBS and John Green, of Toronto, Ont., were arrested in St. Clair, Mich., on the 7th, just after landing from a rowboat in which were two trunks containing 600 pounds of opium, which was seized.

THE bodies of twenty-three Chippewa Indians, backs, squaws and papooses, were found upon the baked sands between Pokagon, Minn., and Opestand, a small settlement on the eastern shore of Lake Mille Lacs.

TO PREVENT the exportation of rice, wheat and other food supplies the Chinese have established a system of inspection of vessels coming down the rivers from the interior, and the Chinese were taken completely by surprise, and consequently, were able to offer no resistance.

A STRONG force of Japanese troops have occupied an island in Society Bay, northwest of Port Arthur. The island is a base of operations. The Chinese were taken completely by surprise, and consequently, were able to offer no resistance.

THE attendance at the St. Louis exposition, on the night of the 5th, was greater than on any opening night of the eleven seasons of its existence, over 200,000 persons being present. St. Louisans are justly proud of their big show.

THE little village of Bruce, Wis., was enveloped in flames, on the afternoon of the 4th, and destroyed completely. The people only saved themselves by running to Elkhorn, across the river, where they were taken up by blankets and allowed the flames to sweep over them.

THE United States dispatch boat Dolphin, with Secretary of the Navy Herbert on board, sailed from Boston, on the 6th, bound for New London, Conn. The Dolphin made a stop at Buzzards Bay, and Secretary Herbert visited President Cleveland at Gray Gables.

A SPECIAL train sent out by the citizens of Minneapolis, Minn., on the 4th, bearing supplies and medical relief to the suffering people of Hinckley and vicinity had on eleven physicians and surgeons with a full supply of drugs and instruments, and fifty canvas cots.

THE hearing in the application of Judge Long of the Michigan supreme court, for a mandamus to compel the commissioner of pensions and the secretary of the interior to restore his pension of \$50 a month to the former rating of \$72 a month, was on the 3th, continued until October 20.

J. M. ASHUT, one of the pioneers of Chicago and the oldest banker in that city, died at his Dearborn-avenue residence, on the 4th, aged 85 years. He was born in Spencerstown, N. Y., and established a private bank in Chicago in 1850. He passed through all the great panics without much loss, and retired rich in 1885.

THE death toll resulting from the forest fires in Minnesota increases. On the 4th 680 persons were known to have been lost, the greater part being women and children. The greatest mortality and percentage of deaths occurred among settlers, where whole families were swept out of existence in the twinkling of an eye.

TWO JAPANESE spies who were surrendered to the Chinese authorities by the United States consul at Shanghai, under whose protection they had been, were promptly tried and, on the 5th, beheaded. In consequence of this summary action of the Japanese remaining in Shanghai, about 700, decided to leave the city at once.

MAYOR HOPKINS of Chicago issued a proclamation, on the 4th, asking the people of that city to give liberally and promptly out of their abundance to the relief of the sufferers by the Minnesota and Wisconsin forest fires in the same measure that relief came to the Chicago fire victims from the people of the civilized world.

UP to the 4th the general executive committee in charge of relief work in the Pine City (Minn.) section, reported bodies recovered from the great forest fires as follows: 271, Sandstone 77, Miller (often called Sandstone Junction), 15; between Sandstone and Miller, 12; Pokagon, 25; in lumber camps, 50. Total, 450.

IT is thought nearly every foot of standing pine in Ontonagon county, Mich., was burned by the late fires—fully 500,000,000 feet. The Nester estate has lost 90,000,000; the Trout Creek Lumber Co., 20,000,000; and the Diamond Match Co., 150,000,000. The balance is owned by homesteaders at Paynesville and Brush's Crossing.

SIR CHARLES TUPPER, Canadian minister of fisheries, received a message from Victoria, B. C., on the 7th, stating that at a meeting of interested persons the question of accepting the \$435,000 offered by the United States government in final settlement of claims for seizures was fully discussed, and it was unanimously decided to accept the offer.

PETER BOWKE, who claimed to be 115 years old, was found dead in bed, on the morning of the 7th, at the county poorhouse in Valparaiso, Ind., of which he had been an inmate twenty-eight years. He came to America eighty-five years ago from Ireland, where he served during the war in 1798. He lived in New York fifty years, and at one time was very wealthy.

NEWS AND NOTES.

A Summary of Important Events.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

TWO CHILDREN, Herbert Donohue, 2 years old, and Emily, 4 years, were, on the 3d, thrown by their mother from the window of a burning New York tenement, 40 feet above the sidewalk. They struck on an awning, went clear through and tumbled to the sidewalk, where they were picked up unhurt.

AMERCHUK CHARLES, on behalf of Emperor Francis Joseph, opened the International Hygienic congress in Budapest on the 3d. He afterward opened the international exhibition connected with the congress at the Royal Polytechnic institute.

A decree will be issued by Russia, on the 15th, reducing the tariff on distilled petroleum exported by way of the Russian frontier from thirty-four to twenty-four copeks per pood, in order to facilitate competition with American petroleum.

THE first celebration of "Labor Day" as a national holiday was being observed in Washington on the 3d. Also, for the first time in their history, all the local labor organizations united for a common purpose without regard to color, houses and did not have the occasion.

LATEST reports say the king of Siam is still dangerously ill.

FRANCIS JOSEPH, emperor of Austria, on the 3d, that an uprising had taken place in Port-au-Prince, resulting in the flight of the president, General Lorrain, and the overthrow of the government.

THE monuments erected at the manse at Charlotteburg in memory of Emperor William I. and Empress Augusta were consecrated, on the 3d, in the presence of Emperor William and members of the royal family.

THE cable steamer Mauday-Bennett passed up New York bay close to the Long Island shore, on the 3d, laying the shore end of the Commercial cable, which was accomplished without the slightest difficulty.

A PARTY of 1,000 Bothers will go to Vain to visit Prince Bismarck on the 10th. The commander of the Prussian army corps will not allow a military band to accompany them.

AN imperial Chinese decree has been issued rewarding Gen Yeh and 700 other Chinese officers for their victory over the Japanese troops at Ping Yang.

ALDACE F. WALKER, receiver of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad, arrived at Atchison, on the 3d, on the steamer Friesland, from Europe.

THE name of the son of Senator Peffer has been stricken from the senate pay roll by the sergeant-at-arms.

JANE FINLEY, of Philadelphia, aged 20 years, was shot on the night of the 3d, three times by Matthew Danlap, 20 years old, her rejected lover.

THE lower portion of the town of Wichita, Kas., was inundated, early on the morning of the 4th, by a cloud-burst. The lightning, which was incessant, killed a little son of Thomas Herman, fatally burned a 9-year-old daughter and tore the house to pieces.

SEVEN prisoners escaped from Hillsdale county jail at Hillsdale, Mich., on the night of the 3d. They cut through a wall lined with four inches of stone.

THE veering of the wind at a critical moment saved the town of Kilmanagh, Mich., from destruction from forest fires on the 3d.

THE president has appointed W. F. Darbury, of Maryland, to be United States attorney for the district of Maryland.

IT was reported, on the 5th, that a levy of 3,000 troops had been made upon the Chinese province of Shang Tung, which had hitherto withheld the men and war supplies demanded by the government.

GOV. TURNEY of Tennessee offered a reward of \$5,000, on the 5th, for the apprehension of the parties guilty in the shooting of six negroes near Millington, Shelby county, some nights before. The governor says that lynching in Tennessee must be stopped.

THE supreme grand lodge, Knights of Pythias, adopted the report of the special committee of the uniform rank, the results of which is to practically divorce the uniform rank from the supreme lodge.

IN deference to the wishes of President Cleveland, Buchanan Schley, survivor of the port of Baltimore, has resigned as chairman of the democratic committee of Washington county, Md.

THE steamer Peru arrived at San Francisco, on the 6th, bringing Chinese advices to August 8 and Japanese advices to August 23.

THE Pullman strike was formally declared off on the 6th.

POST OFFICE officials, on the 6th, captured A. L. Naples in Fort Scott, Kas., who has long been wanted for carrying on an extensive green goods business in Kansas and Missouri. He is charged with sending circulars advertising cheap money through the mails. On his premises were found thousands of dollars of confederate money and bogus coinage utensils.

THE Chicago police, on the 6th, located a remarkable "fence" and recovered several thousand dollars' worth of stolen property. The place was fitted up with double floors, trap-doors and secret closets, and the goods found had been stored at various times for a year past. Six men and two women were captured.

MRS. AUGUSTA WESTER, the novelist and poet, died at Kew, 7 miles from London, on the 6th. She was the daughter of the late Vice-Admiral George Dacres.

THE 6th of the much-mooted German question was decided by the supreme lodge Knights of Pythias by a decisive vote against permitting the use of the ritual in other than the English language in the United States.

THE body of Mrs. L. A. France was found, on the 6th, in the river near Hoganburg, St. Lawrence county, N. Y. Murder is suspected. The authorities are looking for Louis Paul, who had been living with her.

HIGH PORTER, a visitor at Leadville, Col., shot and instantly killed himself at the home of his sister, Mrs. E. B. Dickman, on the evening of the 6th. He left a sealed letter to be forwarded to his father. Porter was about 25 years of age and prominently connected. His home was in Bridgeport, Conn.

ANTON VON KORAB, an Austrian, of noble birth, and formerly an officer in the Austrian army, was, on the 6th, adjudged insane in Chicago, and was committed to the Jefferson asylum.

THE Wisconsin democratic state convention, on the 6th, renominated George W. Peck for governor.

THE laying of the corner stone of the Iowa Soldiers' and Sailors' monument took place at Des Moines on the 6th. The parade was headed by the Iowa National Guard, and followed by the Iowa National Guard, and followed by the Iowa National Guard.

DERING a running race at the Ohio state fair at Columbus, on the 7th, one of the horses, Col. Bliss, was crowded against the fence and fell. His rider, Ed Murray, was thrown fully fifty feet, and is thought, fatally injured.

A YOKOHAMA dispatch says that Marshal Yamagata started for Corea, on the 6th, to assume command of the Japanese army in that country. It is said that the Japanese forces in Corea will number 100,000.

AN anarchist named Solero threw a bomb into the Cafe San Carlo in Turin, on the 4th, causing a terrible explosion, which wrecked the place. Fortunately nobody was hurt. Solero was arrested.

FAILURES for the week ended the 7th, were 315 in the United States, against 315 last year, and 48 in Canada, against 25 last year.

MR. HOWARD GOULD, who is in London, has offered a cup valued at £300 to start the Bay club contests for first-class yachts in 1895.

MRS. AMSTERDAM, who with his brother Calvin, deputy treasurer of Tipton county, Ind., a year ago lost \$43,000 of public funds on the race track, has been located at Santa Mazetta, Mexico, through a lost letter written to him. He is penniless and asked for aid.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

THE cloudburst at Bethlehem, Pa., on the night of the 8th, did damage to the extent of \$80,000. The flooded district is more than a mile square and extends towards the Monocacy valley and includes a portion of Bethlehem proper, West Bethlehem and South Bethlehem. Residences in many places were flooded to their second stories.

TWO new members of the police were sworn in at Pittsburgh, Pa., to go on duty during the G. A. R. encampment and keep the city rid of all suspicious characters. There were also engaged twenty-five expert detectives, some of the number females, from various parts of the United States.

THE association banks of New York city issued the following statement for the week ended the 8th: Reserve, decrease, \$3,886,550; loans, increase, \$1,821,000; specie, decrease, \$478,900; legal tenders, decrease, \$3,956,160; deposits, decrease, \$2,938,800; circulation, increase, \$23,000.

THE American bark Alce arrived at Cape Henry, Va., on the 9th, from Havana, Cuba, with three cases of yellow fever on board. The vessel was towed over to Fisherman's island pending an examination by the Marine Hospital service.

D. J. BURRIDGE arrived at Jacksonville, Fla., on the 8th, from St. Louis, having made the entire trip on a bicycle. He left St. Louis on August 25, and estimates that he covered about 1,000 miles in making the trip.

THE war in China is being conducted so near to the tea-growing territory that future importations are uncertain. Wholesale prices of the cheaper teas used in America are said to have already advanced 100 per cent.

PROF. HERMAN FERNANDIN HELMHOETZ, a celebrated physicist and physician of Berlin, died, on the 6th, from the effects of a stroke of paralysis, aged 73.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

Of Interest to Farmers.

The state board of agriculture will hold farmers' institute meetings as follows:

Huntsville, Randolph county, Monday and Tuesday, September 24 and 25; Ladonia, Audrain county, Wednesday and Thursday, September 26 and 27; Montgomery, Montgomery county, Wednesday and Thursday, September 26 and 27; Varennot, Warren county, Thursday and Friday, September 27 and 28; Troy, Lincoln county, Friday and Saturday, September 28 and 29; Palmyra, Marion county, Monday and Tuesday, October 1 and 2; Lewis, Tuesday and Wednesday, October 2 and 3; Clark, Wednesday and Thursday, October 3 and 4; Memphis, Scotland county, Friday and Saturday, October 4 and 5; Unionville, Putnam county, Friday and Saturday, October 5 and 6; Unionville, Putnam county, Friday and Saturday, October 5 and 6; Unionville, Putnam county, Friday and Saturday, October 5 and 6.

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Monroe City has a damage suit on its hands. Miss Lizzie McCormick wants \$2,000 damages for a broken leg, which she alleges was sustained by falling over a defective sidewalk, while running for a doctor.

Otto Coleman, a Swede farmer of North Sedalia, while going to a neighbor's was assaulted by an unknown man, who fatally injured him with a dirk knife. Coleman was left for dead by his assailant, but no attempt was made at robbery.

At a business meeting of the congregation of the Broadway Presbyterian church, Sedalia, Rev. W. A. Hunter, D. D., of Clinton, Ill., was called to the moderator of the church. Rev. Hunter has been pastor of the church at Clinton for the past ten years.

About a year ago W. T. Yonell, an auctioneer of Monroe City, was kicked in the face by a vicious horse and his nose split open. Dr. George G. Turner dressed the wound. It healed in such rapid time that Yonell's face looked disfigured, and he has used the doctor for \$5,000.

John Stroebel has brought suit in the Pettis county circuit court against the Electric Railway, Light and Power Co. of Sedalia for \$100,000 damages. Plaintiff alleges that he was run down by one of defendants' cars, through defective carelessness, and sustained numerous painful injuries, including the fracture of three ribs.

At the old settlers' reunion in Shelby county, J. H. Foreman, aged 84, was the oldest resident of Missouri present, and was presented with five dollars in gold. Mrs. Martha Griffith, aged 69, was the oldest citizen of Shelby county on the ground, and she received five dollars also. Mr. Selby Rain, aged 86, was the oldest person on the ground, and he was given a five-dollar gold piece on that account.

There were no receipts of corn at St. Louis September 6. The announcement proved a surprise to the commission merchants, and it created considerable talk on the exchange. This was the first one in the experience of the oldest merchant, Daniel R. Whitmore, chief statistician of the exchange for thirty years, said that to his best knowledge and belief there had never been before a dash under corn receipts on the "exchange," he said, "there was a heavy wagon frame, met with a painful accident. His nose was broken and back injured by the frame falling upon him."

MISSOURI CULLINGS.

Liberty has three colleges beside the public school.

The Tipton Lead and Zinc Co. has increased its capital stock from \$6,000 to \$20,000.

The St. Paul's Evangelical church, Hermann, celebrated its fifteenth anniversary.

Because she was deserted by her husband Mrs. Lizzie Kern committed suicide at St. Louis.

Harry Briscoe, of New London, is believed to be the youngest hotel manager in the state.

Five hundred dollars will be given in prizes at the bicycle tournament at Trenton on October 4.

Macon county mine operators are not seeking large contracts just now on account of the low prices of coal.

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UNDER SECTION FIVE.

It is the Purpose of the Treasury Department to So Construct the Tariff Law That Unnecessary Obstruction and Hardship to Importers Will Be Avoided.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—Secretary Carlisle yesterday afternoon issued an official circular regarding the marking, etc., of goods under section 5 of which much uncertainty of construction has existed. After quoting the section in extenso, the secretary says:

"This section differs from Section 6 of the act of October 1, 1890 (McKinley law), in requiring a statement of the quantity of contents and in withholding delivery of goods 'until they shall be fully marked,' etc."

"In order to afford a reasonable time for compliance with the above section, it will be ignored, so far as relates to the statement of quantities, only upon merchandise shipped from abroad after August 23, 1894."

"The department holds that the indication of the country of origin under this section need not necessarily be restricted to the declaration of the name of such country, but may be accepted under whatever form, provided the goods contain unmistakable evidence of their origin, without misleading marks or signs."

"It is further held that the requirement in respect to 'quantity of contents' applies only to packages, and not to separate articles. To interpret the statute otherwise would involve the measurement of every spool of cotton and the gauging of every bottle of wine. It may be inferred that the purpose of this enactment was the protection of the consumer from loss through fraudulent overstatement of the numbers or quantities of articles contained in many imported packages offered for sale."

"Certain classes of goods are respectively put up in packages of recognized and uniform quantities. A mere inspection of such packages will suffice to determine the fact of their conformity or nonconformity, as the case may be, with the established practice of the trade. If the former condition is manifest, no further indication of the quantity of the contents is needed. As, for example, ordinary bags of coffee and barrels of flour have regular sizes and capacities, and do not require explicit statement in order to indicate the quantity of contents."

"It is the purpose of the department so to construe the section, that without an evasion of its provisions, unnecessary obstruction and hardship to importers may be avoided."

"Chief officers of the customs are hereby authorized to decide, in accordance with the above instructions, without reference to the department, questions arising under the administration of the section above specified."

[Signed.] JOHN G. CARLISLE, Secretary.

A MYSTERIOUS WAGON.

Supposed to Have Some Connection With the Disappearance of Dr. Conklin.

CASSIOPOLIS, Mich., Sept. 7.—A new clue to the disappearance of Dr. A. B. Conklin is being followed, which may solve the mystery. Sunday night after dark a wagon with a double box entering town from the north, with two unknown parties. Later it was seen to pass Dr. Conklin's office twice. A member of John Bronner's family heard a heavy wagon go past their house on a back street to a point on the shore of the lake unfrequented at night.

At that time a Mr. Robinson was returning from the opposite side of the lake afoot. He heard outcries near this spot and hurried over to see what was the matter. He saw two men, colored, jump into a wagon answering the description of the one mentioned above, and hurriedly roll away. Groans were heard by others in the vicinity. Later a wagon answering the same description and containing two men left town to the north. The wagon was going rapidly.

Upon this clue Stone Lake will be dynamited, and the murder theory now seems most plausible.

This mysterious wagon was seen by many but not recognized, and is strongly suspected of being connected with Dr. Conklin's disappearance.

FREE AGAIN.

Ex-Banker George W. Work Released from the Eastern Penitentiary.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 8.—George F. Work, the banker and financier who was sentenced in February, 1891, to serve four years in the eastern penitentiary for fraudulently taking and disposing securities of the broken Bank of America, was released at 7 o'clock yesterday morning, having received under the commutation law for good behavior the benefit of six months' time.

In accordance with previously made plans, Work left, and returned to his counsel, immediately on being released, stating to the few friends present that he intended to remain with his family in a quiet place in the country for a time in order to regain his strength. He said he also needed time to consider his plans for the future.

The ex-banker declares that he has not a dollar in the world, and must go to work to support himself and family. He says, however, that he has found friends who have offered to help him in getting a new start. It is believed that the ex-banker will go into the brokerage business after his return.

Smugglers Six Hundred Pounds of Opium Captured at St. Clair, Mich. by Vigilantes.

ST. CLAIR, Mich., Sept. 8.—John Jacobs and John Green, of Toronto, Ont., were arrested just after landing from a rowboat in which were two trunks containing 600 pounds of opium, which was seized. The prisoners had previously arranged for a horse and wagon to be waiting to carry away the trunk. The arrests were made by Deputy Customs Collectors Samuel Harkness of this city and John Denny of Port Huron. The case was worked up by two special detectives.

A Letter From Capt. Friesch Sponser.

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 8.—The wife of Capt. Friesch, who is trying to cross the Atlantic in the St. Paul's Polka, has received a letter from him handed in mid-ocean to the captain of the Baltimore schooner Menantis August 26. Friesch wrote that he had got along all right up to that time, and had no doubt he would get across all right. His little boat, he said, worked perfectly in all kinds of weather. Friesch's wife and four flaxen-haired children will join him in Finland, where his mother lives, if he crosses safely.

GAVE THE PLOT AWAY.

And the Kerrville Lynchers Will Soon Be in Limbo.—The Attempt to Trap the Sheriff by Getting His Son to Take Part in the Affair Leads to Exposure.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Sept. 10.—The whole plot of the Kerrville lynching is now laid bare. Before many hours elapse it is thought everyone who had anything to do with the affair, or the majority of them, will be behind the bars.

Bob McCarver, son of Sheriff McCarver, gave the snap away. He was invited to participate in the massacre by H. N. Smith, one of the men now languishing in the county jail under indictment for murder in the first degree.

When the invitation to assist in the assassination was tendered to McCarver it was represented that Sheriff McCarver knew all about it, and that Judge Cooper of the criminal court was not in the dark. Of course these representations were untrue, and were made by Smith for the purpose, if possible, of mixing Sheriff McCarver up in the affair through his son, so his hands would be tied if an investigation should be instituted by the authorities. The scheme was a bold one, but it failed.

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AN OPERATOR BLUNDERED.

The Hoosac Tunnel Blocked by a Serious Wreck.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Sept. 9.—A dispatch from North Adams says that the Hoosac tunnel is blocked by a wreck. A relief train was sent out from North Adams at 1:30 this morning with three doctors. It is reported that three men are killed.

It is reported at North Adams that the relief train has not been able to enter the tunnel, and another has left. It is said that a telegraph operator blundered.